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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of OKAZAKI et al.

Customer No.

26817

Serial No. 09/705,661

Group Art Unit: 1764

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Examiner: NECKEL, Alexa D.

Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF ACRYLIC ACID AND APPARATUS FOR

Confirmation No. 6250

PRODUCTION OF ACRYLIC ACID

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: